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In response to the June 5, 2008, Restriction Requirement, applicants elect Invention II, claims 21-25, with traverse.

MPEP 803 I. lists the two criteria for a proper restriction requirement:

- (A) The inventions must be independent or distinct as claimed; and
- (B) There would be a serious burden on the examiner if restriction is not required.

Applicants submit that because the claims deal with similar subject matter in a narrow field, there would not be a serious burden on the Examiner if restriction is not required. Applicants therefore traverse the restriction requirement and request that the restriction requirement be withdrawn.

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